

**7/17/15 – Colorado Federal Executive Board (CFEB)**  
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## **KNOW YOUR FEDERAL AGENCIES**

USDA GIPSA | <http://www.gipsa.usda.gov>  
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The Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's agency that facilitates the marketing of livestock, poultry, meat, cereals, oilseeds, and related agricultural products, and promotes fair and competitive trading practices for the overall benefit of consumers and American agriculture.

GIPSA was established in 1994 as part of the reorganization of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The formation of the agency resulted from the joining of two previously independent agencies: the Federal Grain Inspection Service and the Packers and Stockyards Administration. Today, GIPSA is part of USDA's Marketing and Regulatory Programs, which work to ensure a productive and competitive global marketplace for U.S. agricultural products.

The Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS) facilitates the marketing of U.S. grain and related agricultural products by establishing standards for quality assessments, regulating handling practices, and managing a network of Federal, State, and private laboratories that provide impartial, user fee funded official inspection and weighing services. It was established by Congress in 1976 to manage the national grain inspection system, which initially was established in 1916, and to institute a national grain weighing program. The goal of creating a single Federal grain inspection entity was to ensure development and maintenance of uniform U.S. standards, to develop inspection and weighing procedures for grain in domestic and export trade, and to facilitate grain marketing.

Today's Packers and Stockyards Program (P&SP) is the progeny of the Packers and Stockyards Administration, which was established in 1921 under the Packers and Stockyards Act. The organization was instituted to regulate livestock marketing activities at public stockyards and the operations of meat packers and live poultry dealers. P&SP's work protects consumers and members of the livestock, meat, and poultry industries.

The markets serviced by GIPSA represent a total economic value of approximately \$170 billion annually with exports contributing over \$28.7 billion to the U.S. economy.

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## KNOW YOUR GOVERNMENT

***In the process of enacting legislation, the House Rules Committee is responsible for?***

- a. Establishing the procedures Congress follows
- b. Appointing members of standing committees
- c. Setting the limits of debate on the floor
- d. Holding hearings on all revenue bills
- e. Assigning bills to the proper committees

***The answer is C:*** Although the House Rules Committee does set the procedural rules of the House of Representatives, its key legislative function is to set the time limit of debate for most bills and whether and what type of amendments can be made from the floor.

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## THE NATIONAL ARTS PROGRAM - 1st ANNUAL EXHIBIT & AWARDS

**Delivering Entries:** September 21 - October 9 | 8:00 am - 4:30 pm | DFC Bldg 41 - Second Floor

**Public Exhibit:** October 19-30, 2015 | 6:00 am - 6:00 pm | DFC Bldg 41 - Second Floor

**Reception & Awards Ceremony:** October 20, 2015 | 4:00 pm | Byron Rogers Federal Bldg | 1961 Stout St | Denver CO

Register online | [www.nationalartsprogram.org/venues/state-of-colorado-federal-government](http://www.nationalartsprogram.org/venues/state-of-colorado-federal-government)  
Michelle Saar | 303 236 8086 or Janet Paladino | 303 870 5594

Never hide your talent! The National Arts Program is designed to give all artists, at all skill levels an uninhibited opportunity to exhibit their work in a professional manner and to compete for cash prizes. Sponsored by the National Arts Program Foundation in support and cooperation with the US GSA and the Colorado Federal Executive Board, the exhibit is judged by professional artists and visual art professionals in Amateur, Intermediate, Professional and Youth classification, and it is free to all.

Participants must be an employee, retiree or an immediate family member of an employee of US Federal Government in the State of Colorado. Registration deadline is September 1, 2015

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## OPM

***Colorado Leadership Development Program (CLDP)***

OPM Western Management Development Center | 1961 Stout St | Denver CO  
CLDP Program Coordinator, Linda Wooten | 303 671 1154 | [Linda.wooten@opm.gov](mailto:Linda.wooten@opm.gov)

The U.S. Office of Personnel Management's Western Management Development Center will once again be offering the Colorado Leadership Development program for selected high potential government professionals located in the State of Colorado. This innovative one-year program is designed to meet the leadership development needs of selected federal professionals at the GS-13 to GS-14 level, as well as high potential GS-12's, or equivalent, who work in federal, state or local government organizations located in the State of Colorado.

The Colorado Leadership Development Program Class of 2016 is scheduled to begin with its initial three-day Orientation session on November 17-19, 2015. Interested applicants must submit a complete nomination application by **Friday, September 25, 2015**.

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### ***FEDS FEED FAMILIES 2015 FOOD DRIVE***

**June 1 – August 28, 2015**

Please look for a donation barrel at your office. Help us surpass last year's total of 61,277 lbs. of food donated by federal employees throughout Colorado. If your office doesn't have a donation barrel, contact Bart Bushman | [bart.bushman@fns.usda.gov](mailto:bart.bushman@fns.usda.gov) | 303-844-0310 to get set up.

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### ***NEW HR/SUPERVISOR TRAINING***

All Classes are 8:30 am - 3:00 pm | DFC Bldg 25 Lecture Hall | \$80 each

***8/20/15 | Discipline and Adverse Actions in the Federal Sector***

Online registration & Payment required | <https://colorado.feb.gov/register/?ee=281>

***11/17/15 | Basics of Performance Management***

Online registration & Payment required | <https://colorado.feb.gov/register/?ee=283>

### **TRAINER | Bart Dubinsky**

Bart is a former Human Resources and Agency Workforce Relations Officer (with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, HHS and Interior). Bart's 30 years of Federal sector HR experience includes all of the HR functional areas, (e.g., workforce and succession planning, position classification, diversity and outreach, staffing and recruitment, training and development, employee and labor relations, ethics, performance management, and benefits). Bart has a Bachelor's degree in Business from the University of Missouri and J.D. from Texas Wesleyan University School of Law. Bart is also a state certified Mediator.

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## **CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS**

### **NEXT GENERATION OF GOVERNMENT TRAINING SUMMIT**

July 20 - 21, 2015 | 8:00 am | Renaissance DC Downtown Hotel | 999 9th St NW, Washington, DC | Register: [http://www.nextgengovt.com/#tile\\_registration](http://www.nextgengovt.com/#tile_registration)

Building Change Leaders - Learn, Collaborate and Network to Enhance Government. The Next Generation of Government Training Summit educates, inspires and promotes innovation and positive growth for Generation X and Y leaders in government.

### **YGL DENVER SOCIAL & GAME**

July 21, 2015 | SOCIAL 5:00 – 6:30 pm – Blake Street Tavern | 2301 Blake St Denver CO  
GAME 6:30 pm | Coors Field | Denver CO

TICKETS | [http://www.ticketmaster.com/event/1E004D818D560E1E?ttl=Colorado\\_Rockies-Tickets-Single\\_Game\\_Tickets-Lowest\\_Price-xo&bba=1](http://www.ticketmaster.com/event/1E004D818D560E1E?ttl=Colorado_Rockies-Tickets-Single_Game_Tickets-Lowest_Price-xo&bba=1)

QUESTIONS & RSVP: Jarrod Breuer | [jbreuer@usbr.gov](mailto:jbreuer@usbr.gov)

This event is open to everyone - bring your friends and family! Join YGL Denver for our annual Happy Hour and Rockies Game against the Texas Rangers! This is our most popular event of the year and a great opportunity to network! Join us for one or both. Buy your tickets today. Most people buy generic Rockpile seats which start at \$4.00, that area is general admission seating.

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### **EPA WEBINAR: “How to Apply for USA Jobs”**

July 21, 2015 | 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (MST) | Adobe Connect Meeting and Conference Call.  
Meeting: 866 299 3188 | Code: 3033126356#

Sign In: <https://epa.connectsolutions.com/usajobs/> | Enter as a Guest

Angela Mendiola | [Mendiola.Angela@epa.gov](mailto:Mendiola.Angela@epa.gov)

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### **CFEB QUARTERLY MEETING & TRAINING FORUM**

July 23, 2015 | Registration deadline 7/17/15

\$28 | ONLINE REGISTRATION REQUIRED <https://colorado.feb.gov/register/?ee=256>

### **CRISIS COMMUNICATIONS**

You look out your office window and the 60 Minutes crew is in your parking lot. Now what? This class covers preparation before the crisis occurs, risk management in public affairs

terms, dealing with latent and emerging issues, communications issues, and – most importantly – breathing.

### ***SENSATIONALISM***

Sometimes reality and perception are not equal. This forum will give you tools to combat misperceptions, diagnose possible sensationalism and allow the public to better understand your goals and mission.

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### **25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY – AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)**

July 25, 2015 | 11:00 am - 2:00 pm | Civic Center Park, Downtown Denver, CO | Free  
[https://www.facebook.com/COADA25/timeline?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/COADA25/timeline?ref=page_internal)

Celebrate the 25th on the 25th!!! Come join Lt. Governor Garcia, Mayor Hancock, Francis Owens, and many more for an afternoon of live entertainment, food, and freebies. The first 500 people get a free box lunch from Heidi's Brooklyn Deli.

Patricia McMahon | 303 866 1344 | [patricia.mcmahon@eeoc.gov](mailto:patricia.mcmahon@eeoc.gov) for free booth space  
Dawn Howard | 303.839.1775 | [dhoward@ccdconline.org](mailto:dhoward@ccdconline.org)

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### **FEDS FEED FAMILIES LUNCH & LEARN**

July 29, 2015 | 11:00 am – 1:00 pm | OPM Western Management Development Center, Byron Rodgers Federal Building | 1961 Stout Street, Suite 116-111, Denver, CO | Free – Drop In

Please bring your lunch and join us for a series of thought provoking short documentary films on the topic of hunger and food insecurity in America. The films will follow one after the other, come and stay as long as time allows. This program is open to all Federal employees and the general public.

A donation of one nonperishable food item is appreciated. All donations will go to the Food Bank of the Rockies ([www.foodbankrockies.org](http://www.foodbankrockies.org)), which distributes food to hundreds of direct service providers (food pantries, shelters, soup-kitchens, etc.) in the Denver Metro area.

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### **CDC PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY LAW COURSE (COURSE #1058027)**

**July 29, 2015** | 9:00 am – 4:30 pm | Mesa County Workforce Center - Classrooms A&D, Grand Junction, CO

**July 31, 2015** | 9:00 am - 4:30 pm | State Emergency Operation Center - 9195 E. Mineral Ave., 2nd Floor, Centennial, CO

Free | Lunch will be provided both days. The course is limited to 60 students

This one-day course is a survey of selected legal issues that typically arise during emergencies. The primary goal of this competency based training is to enhance the ability of government employees to identify potential legal issues so that necessary adjustments to planning, policies, or procedures can be developed prior to a public health emergency, and to ensure a more effective response. The course will be tailored to discuss Colorado specific statutes and regulations, and agency or county attorneys are highly encouraged to attend.

Registration | <https://www.co.train.org/Desktopshell.aspx> | Course ID#1058027  
Nicole Cantrell | 720 413 7562 | [nicole.cantrell@state.co.us](mailto:nicole.cantrell@state.co.us) | link sends e-mail

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## **VAN & CARPOOL**

Vanpools needing riders are listed on the CFEB web site  
<https://www.colorado.feb.gov/index.php?content=78&page=VanPools>

If you would like the CFEB to add your van or carpool to the web site, email the information to  
[gpage@colorado.feb.gov](mailto:gpage@colorado.feb.gov)

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## **HEALTH DOES MATTER**

### **BONFILS DFC BLOOD DRIVE**

2nd Thursday of each month | 8:00 am - 1:30 pm  
Denver Federal Center | Bldg 67 | Hungry Horse Room  
SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT | [www.bonfils.org](http://www.bonfils.org) (site code is 2015) | 303 363 2300  
Betty Palcsak | 303 236-6905 | [bpalcsak@usgs.gov](mailto:bpalcsak@usgs.gov)

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## **LIGHTEN UP!**



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## **PETS OF THE WEEK**

*Adopt a pet and save a life*

**Gillespe Thunderpaws** | Black & Tan Hound Dog | Male | 2 months old  
MY FAIRY DAWG MOTHER RESCUE | 720 939 7017 | <http://www.dogrescuecolorado.org/>

**Hannah** (59498) | female cat | 7-year-old  
FOOTHILLS ANIMAL SHELTER | 303-278-7575 | [customercare@fas4pets.org](mailto:customercare@fas4pets.org)  
<http://www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org>

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## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### **VOLUNTEERS & FOSTER HOMES NEEDED FOR CAT SHELTER**

Angels With Paws | 2540 Youngfield St | Lakewood CO  
Please contact shelter manager Sondra Bailey | 303 274 2264 |  
<http://www.angelswithpaws.net/volunteering/>

### **SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PETS**

Saturdays (year round) | 9:00 am - 3:00 pm | Colorado Springs/Denver  
<https://www.facebook.com/sisterhoodofthetravelingpets>  
Sassie Skelton | 719 482 0705

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## **JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<https://www.usajobs.gov/>

**OPM, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Washington, DC - 4 Vacancies**  
Information Technology Senior Project Manager | SES SL-2210-00

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/407697700>

**Dept of Commerce - NTIA, Various locations**

Supervisory Communications Program Specialist | ZA-0301-05

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/409842000>

**American Council for Technology-Industry Advisory Council (ACT-IAC) Denver, CO**

Manager, Rocky Mountain Chapter | 703 208 4800 | [www.actgov.org](http://www.actgov.org)

**National Older Worker Career Center (NOWCC) Age 55+ | NRCS - Escondido, CA**

Forester Position | [https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record\\_id=3454](https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record_id=3454)

**National Older Worker Career Center (NOWCC) AGE 55+ | EPA - Denver and Golden, CO**

Water Program Administrative

Support [https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record\\_id=3505](https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record_id=3505)

Records Management

Specialist [https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record\\_id=3503](https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record_id=3503)

2 Lab Support Assistant

[https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record\\_id=3488](https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record_id=3488)

[https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record\\_id=3494](https://www.nowcc.org/r/positions/view.aspx?record_id=3494)

**US Forest Service Region 2**

<https://fsoutreach.gdcii.com/Outreach/>

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**CFEB EMAIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To submit information to be included in the announcements, please email it by Wednesday of each week to [jconn@colorado.feb.gov](mailto:jconn@colorado.feb.gov) in the following format.

Title

Date | Time

Location | 3333 W 32 Ave | Denver CO (no punctuation)

Cost (if applicable)

Brief Description (very short marketing blurb | a couple of bullet points or sentences)

CONTACT Name | 303 333 5555 | email

Website

Recent CFEB announcements are posted on the CFEB web site

<https://www.colorado.feb.gov/index.php?content=10&page=Announcements>



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*Have a safe and wonderful weekend!*

Gay & Jeff

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